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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS:MNUC, PARM, SF

SUBJECT: NUCLEAR TEAM VISIT TO SOUTH AFRICA

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MEMBER OF PROSPECTIVE NUCLEAR TEAM, WE ARE TODAY
DELIVERING FOLLOWING LETTER TO AMBASSADOR SOLE IN
WASHINGTON:

"DEAR MR. AMBASSADOR: AT DR. NYE'S REQUEST, I AM WRITING
TO YOU TO INTRODUCE DR. RICHARD A. LEWIS, ASSISTANT
DIRECTOR OF THE APPLIED PHYSICS DIVISION, ARGONNE
NATIONAL LABORATORY.

DR. NYE INDICATED TO YOU AND MR. FOURIE WHEN YOU MET
ON NOVEMBER 10 THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO EXPLORE WITH YOUR
OFFICIALS THE TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS INVOLVED IN
FUELING THE SAFARI RESEARCH REACTOR, AND IN APPLYING
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DISCUSSIONS ALONG THESE LINES, AND AMBASSADOR BOWDLER
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IT IS OUR INTENTION THAT DR. LEWIS WOULD BE THE TEAM

MEMBER CHARGED WITH DESCRIBING TO YOUR GOVERNMENT RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT UNDERWAY IN THE UNITED STATES ON QUESTIONS OF FUEL AND RESEARCH REACTORS, AND ITS POTENTIAL UTILITY IN THE CASE OF THE SAFARI REACTOR. DR. LEWIS OCCUPIES A CENTRAL POSITION IN OUR EFFORTS IN THIS AREA, UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY.

IF YOUR GOVERNMENT WOULD BE AGREEABLE TO DR. LEWIS'S PARTICIPATION IN THE PROSPECTIVE TEAM VISIT, I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR ARRANGING ISSUANCE OF THE NECESSARY VISA. ALTHOUGH DR. LEWIS IS NOT AN EMPLOYEE OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT, HE WOULD AS A MEMBER OF THE TEAM BE ENGAGED IN OFFICIAL BUSINESS FOR THIS GOVERNMENT. SINCE THE TEAM MAY LEAVE FOR SOUTH AFRICA AS EARLY AS JANUARY 2, " WOULD BE MOST GRATEFUL IF IT WERE POSSIBLE FOR YOU TO CONSIDER DR. LEWIS'S APPLICATION ON AN URGENT BASIS. SINCERELY YOURS, LAWRENCE SCHEINMAN, SENIOR ADVISOR TO THE UNDERSECRETARY FOR SECURITY ASSISTANCE AND SALES"

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